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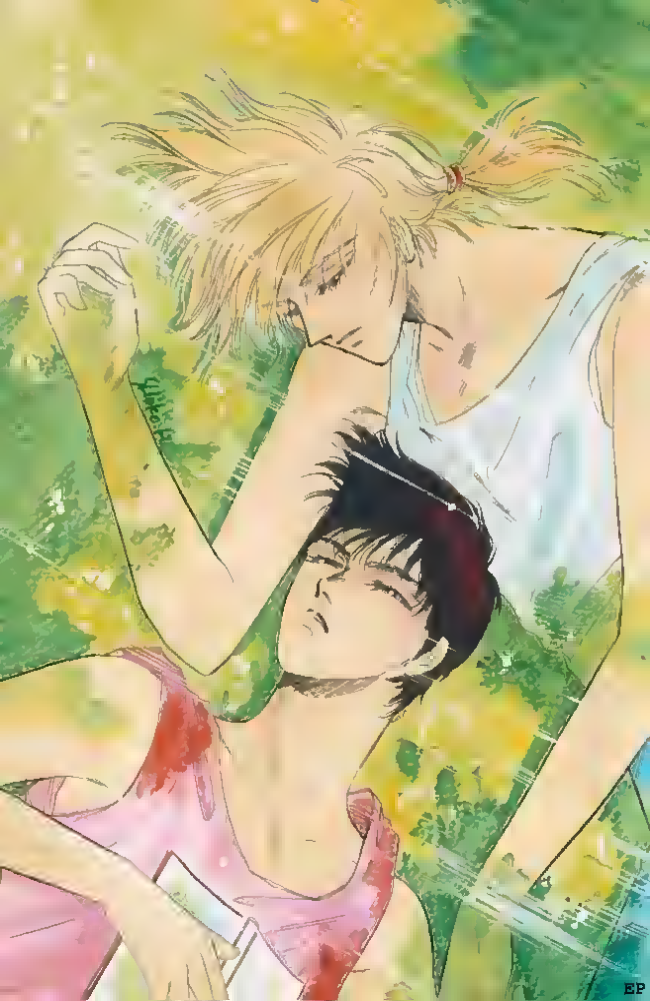

★ STEP 2 ★

YUME NO KODOMO

EP

If I was right, last night, I... I was trying to calm Akishima...
...huh?
PASHON
Why am I sleeping in my own bed?
Morning?
HA!
hmm..
Err...
huh huh??

That means—
The one who was trying to calm fell asleep first and if such a thing did happened then, I was carried to bed.....
AH
Aki-shima !!
HA!
A failu-re--
I m such a laser --
So pathe tic--

EP

Aki-shima!!
I'm going out to collect data. I'll be back tonight Ran-A
He went to work
In that condition
He's hart and...worn out but still---
Carried me to my bed and even set up my alarm clock
Probably... he's making an impression like nothing happened.
Some-how...The adult's world sounds hard

hmm
So, Misaki Rena was Akishima -san
夢の子供
Yea, well It seems to be
About that err
It's that typical slump maybe I didn't ask him in detail
Really?
I wonder why did he stopped writing novels

EP

Hey Youji... The guy yesterday Hirose-san was it...
What kind of relationship does he have with Akishima-san?
WW-What kind...!
Something like a senior in University... Something like that
That's all? Don't they have 'something' going on between them?
Something...!?
ゲホ

Why would it be such a thing!
Because, yesterday I saw them kissing
It looked like a forced one though... You didn't noticed It did you

So, the conclusion is!!
Akishima-san's slump is caused by a love relationship with Hirose-san

sharp instinct—?
Woman... why do they have this
Really
Cut it out Hiromi
There's no harm telling me
as stingy~
How should I know--
Hey am I wrong?
Aya.
Mashi-ba!
But~~
You're digging into someone's circumstences because of your curiosity
again, aren't you? So pathetic

There
Go go
No but ! Other than that, aren't you on duty for sports today 5th class is sports you know
Ah!
I for-got
<H
You might think I'm being meddle-some but Taka-nashi you also
Eh?
Shouldn't butt in too much

EP

That stuff Hiromi said, it's not wrong, is it?
Since it's you, Takanashi you'd probably think "I must do something about it"
There's nothing on outsider can do for a complicated human relationship
What's up with you, talking like you know a lot?!
Well, I do know more than you
I'm not boasting but my parents divorced just a year before last
So, don't get too deep into the matter
Che

Even yesterday, I could only hold him in my arms
I know that well
He didn't even shed a tear
It's different from Senko's time
I cried a lot instead
I'm so ashamed...
Because Akishima is a man?
Because I'm an outsider?

There really isn't anything I can do
Really—?
Nothing...?
He had just remembered the one he ignored during that afternoon. It seems that he's frustrated now
Damn! You better remember it!
Being kissed by force?
That Hirose guy

Welcome back
Ah... I'm home
I made some mis Are you going to eat immediately?
Aa. Sorry but I m not going to eat today
You ate already?
That's a lie.
Yeah

EP

You're going to work all night again?
Yeah maybe
Akashima...
I think He's so worn out and only in one day
Well I'll make some supper
You'll probably get hungry in the middle of the night
Oh okay, just leave it outside my room
I'm doing my work in my room tonight
ZUKI

Lately you've been doing your work in the living room, haven't you
GOTON
Why do you pretend that there's nothing wrong?
To add to that, that expression
When it's absolutely not okay!

EP

What are you thinking? Aren't you lonely?
Actually you're hurt You're alone
I'm here, you know...
Aki-shimaa
Aki-shima Ren!
Ren
Ren Ren Ren
You only need to call me!!
Ren, you
REN-!!

WHAT?!
Shouting in the middle of the night !!
You're crying?
geh
Damn- It's because you never cry!
Why do you have to pretend that it's okay even in front of me!!
If you pretend that it's okay even though I know it's not... I
I can't do anything!

EP

I'm not so tough to show my weakness in front of an outsider
Don't glare at me with that face
I'm regretting what happened yesterday and now
You're asking me to show more of my shame in front of you?
I understand
Sorry I wasn't thinking
WIPE

Yeah, you're right in this kind of situation people want to be left alone
I'm going out for a few days
You⁉
Out… Where⁉
I do have some friends who'll let me stay with them for few days Besides I'm not going be gone permanently
Not really… but if you think it's better I'll leave though
Why…
You say why…
I can only do stuff like stay nearby and calm people down, like what I did to Senko
But if I stay near you, Akishima, even at home you have to be spirited

Even if you leave
Or if I'm left alone I'll still be like this and I wouldn't change
It's not like that Yauji
So--
Don't go
Stay here
I I don't want to be alone now

EP

I don't want to cling to somebody or to get clung onto
It's okay even if you're just hanging around
I...It's okay for me to stay?
But even so... I want somebody to be around
It's a very selfish excuse... do you understand?
But that means
You don't have to understand it, just do the same as before
Just be around
How do I do that?
Somehow
I don't understand at all

EP

It'll be fine
The rest is my own problem
Akashimo really wants to get a hold of himself again
And so, what can I do, I wonder....

EP

The sound of the typewriter
The boy who accidentaly looked back while climbing the hill...
An.. come to think of it
The Akishima now is like
stopped the boy's step
I wonder what...

Oh Youji-kun
What's wrong Are you alone? Where's Ren chan?
Ah yeah erm
I have a favour to ask you Katsumi son and can you please keep it a secret from Akishima
You want to meet Hirose Takuya ?
You heard it from Ren?
Yeah
You did know it didn't you, about Akishima and Hirose?

I don't know much about Hirose-san
Plus I was Senko's friend and I wasn't in the Cine Club
I just assumed it by seeing the situation
I don't know about the details and I didn't exactly hear it from the person himself
You want to meet with him and do what?
To make it simple, a cinema research club. Hirose-san was the OB there
Cine Club?
I'm going to decide what to do after I meet him
He does know that Akishima is hurt—
—but honestly, I want to chop him into pieces

カランコロン
Welco
Ah!
That guy he'll show up at this shop, one day
If he comes, I'll contact you
Kat sumi-san
but never mind; I'll help you
I don't think a kid can stand against him
Oh
Aren't you
Hirose

EP

Don't ask a high schooler to drink
No thanks
Good timing, I had something to tell to you
TENSE
Youji-kun It's you, right? You're Senko's little brother
To meet in this place is such a coincidence! Why don't we have a drink?
You and Senko are siblings and even more so you look like her a lot
How is she?
Now she's in New York and she's in great shape

Like...? Even now?
She said that liking you was the biggest mistake in her life
So harsh
I like Senko even now
That's right I can't hate the person I once loved before
A liking will always be a liking
But in Senko's case, you're not that stubborn aren't you
Unfortunately Senko's heart is totally apart from me
So there's no point harassing her, right?
That'd mean Senko had already hated you, isn't it?

Well
I suppose
Akishima also hates you now, you know
Yea
You mean that it is what you wanted to tell me
Yeah
Let me hear what you have to say then
NEVER
go near Akishima again

Ren doesn't want to see you!! Don't you get it
Why you ask?
Why?
I know
But whether to meet or not I'm the one who'll make that decision
If I think I want to see him I'll go see him
What kind of selfish stuff are you saying?
Why can't you think about the other person's feelings?!

..what?
..what?
Why don't you calm down a little, Youji-kun
Aren't you bothering the shop customers?
You
You have a wife and a child right?
If you keep on bothering Ren
I'll tell EVERYTHING to your wife!!

Don't be so cocky
I'm seriously going to do it
You're so enthusiastic
I see, there is that trick
This is my address and my phone number
!!
If you don't know this then your threat won't work right?
What were you planning to do if so?

Hrr
Why don't you come and visit next holiday? I'll introduce you to my wife
Well... also because I have something to show you
Oh yeah
Since when did you
started calling Ren by his name
What?
Wha. What, is that a crime?
No
Never mind

EP

I'm excited about our next meeting
You Ji-kun
You Ji-kun
He ran away
Ah! Shit
What is that cocki-ness
He's getting on my nerves What is that guy thinking!!
That's why... Didn't I tell you that he's a very difficult person to oppose?

If you can spill it, then tell spill it... Is that what he meant?
Damn it
Come and visit? Introducing me to his wife, he said? He doesn't even take it seriously
Don't get too rushy Yuuji-kun
Tell everything to Hirose-san's wife and break their family
Senko or Ren-chan could have done it any-time but

Try to think of the reason behind it
hmph
Somehow, both of them didn't
To break someone's family would end up to make someone miserable
I don't have to think through it because
That's a lie...
That's just a threatening complaint
I'll tell everything to your wife

I feel like I became a terrible person
When I said those words
I thought about it seriously
You just came back?
Youji
hm?
You're going out?

Your editorial?
Yeah but I can't transmit the drafts by fax
They won't stick to a quick caption so it has to be the drafts
I'll be late so you go ahead and sleep first
Yeah, bye!
Ren!!

I want to
Protect Akishima Ren
To do that even if I have to hurt someone else, I don't think that'll be a problem, I thought
Hoping that Ren won't get hurt anymore than this
I had accidentaly thought about it
Why You!!
Did something happened?

It's nothing sorry
Hrr ! ah no!
Ruffle
Idiot
What's the point if I m the one who s getting the comforting?
a yeah
I'll be going

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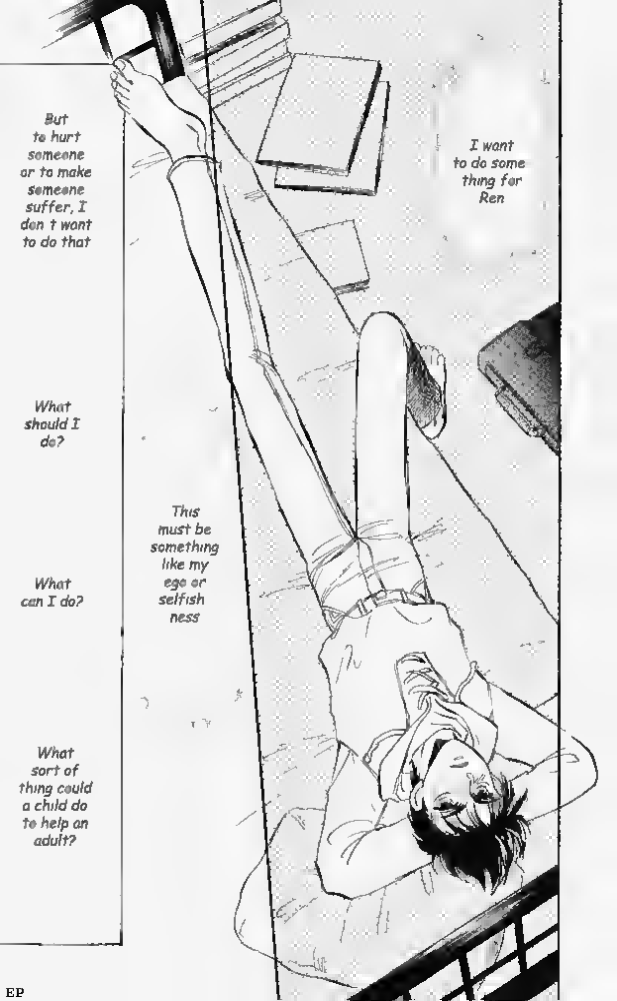
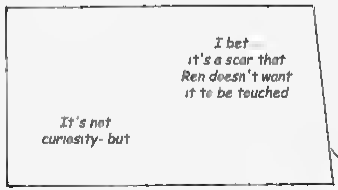

But to hurt someone or to make someone suffer, I don't want to do that
I want to do something for Ren
What should I do?
This must be something like my ego or selfishness
What can I do?
What sort of thing could a child do to help an adult?

Well whatever it is I have to meet with him again
I have to meet and speak with him then I ll think about what to do next


I bet it's a scar that Ren doesn't want it to be touched
It's not curiosity- but

Where does that guy s confi dence comes from?
That Ren
What kind of relationship did he had with Hirose
Come and visit I want to show you something

I can't understand Ren's true pain
Was it okay for me to step in this far-
Hirose Takuya
What am I doing
I think I'll go back
Come here Sanae
Hahaha— papa

Youji-kun
Who's that?
A guest?
Yup
Call your mother
Yes Sanae he's a guest
Didn't you come for Ren?
You want to know about Ren, right?
I...
I'm going home
You came after all

a but
I heard that you're Senko-san's little brother
You're now staying together with Ren-san right How is Ren-san?
yeah sort of
This guy with what kind of face did he tell all this stuff to his wife
Welcome
I can't really entertain you but please stay awhile
Okay
Now, please leave us alone Yuu-kun came to discuss about Ren you know
Ren is busy
This guy doesn't even want to bring him here
I haven't see him since the wedding

So, please relax Takanashi-san
I'll bring some more tea later
Such a big room
Yeah ...it's because I'm the head of the publicity department
Sorry for the mess
of a film company
You have a pretty and kind wife a child
a proper social position, but...
Stop!
I won't give up on Ren no matter what you say

?
I said I wanted to show you something, didn't I?
Let's not repeat the same conversation, shall we?
!!

This.
scenery, it's like
The field that was mentioned in "Children of Dreams"

Deep inside everyone's mind there is something called a "scenery of wilderness" which is usually called a deep forest
The kind of thing that you do in psychological games you don't know it?
"Scenery of wilderness"—?
Apparently the scenery of wilderness that's inside Ren is a field
Ren mentioned something before

It's a scene from a film I took when I was young
and this was the beginning for me and Ren

Long before I met Ren I took a snapshot of a scenery that I have been charmed by when I was traveling
and Ren said the scenery looked similar to the dream he kept having when he was young
Ren and I look different from the surface but inside we're similar
This scenery captured Ren's heart

Yeah, it's Ren
4 years ago
Ren ?
PAIN

That Ren smiled.. with that kind of expression
The members from cinema tography club wanted to take pictures of Ren although Ren refused it
He didn't even allow his friends to take pictures of him
I'm the only one who was able to take some isn't that amazing?!
At first, when he turned to the camera, he froze though
It took a lot of effort till I was able to take his natural expression.
I used the camera in every way
In the room
While travelling
How he looked when he was sleeping
The sulking face that he made after a quarrel

That's the truth probably
If not, there's no way that he could have captured Ren like this in this film. .
His hair, his fingertips I loved everything about Ren
drip
drip

but ...!!
I've understood what you've wanted to tell me
That's enough
There's some more
You want to see the others?

I still love Ren even now
My feeling is not a past tense
Please don't come near Ren again
Whatever happened in the past, to Ren it's over
I don't remember betraying anyone
You're betraying that wife of yours don't you feel anything?
You
Both. I love them with all my heart
It's not split into half and it cannot be compared
The love for my wife and the feeling towards Ren are different

It is you who did this to him, isn't it?
You are a bas-tard!
It's true that the Ren of that film looks happy
but the Ren of now, he can't laugh like that anymore!
You don't have the right to break him!
What do you plan to do to Ren now?
The more he'll see you the more he'll be hurt again
Ren is trying to recover seriously

It's okay
Are you trying to say it's okay to hurt him because you love him
I do have
Because I love Ren
YOU LIAR !!!
THAT'S NOT LOVE
Don't you know why Ren keeps on hurting?

That's because you.
It's because Ren loves me

People don't get hurt by the people they don t care about
It is because they love, that s why they get hurt
Ren still needs me
He can t stop loving me, even if he s hurting

After so much trouble, I've finally got his address by asking my editor's friend
I won't let you do whatever you wish with Ren...
Ren doesn't need you!!
I can't let go of Ren while he still needs me
I'll come to see him again, please tell him that I say that

!!
So you're going to be my substitute?
hmm ?

To love Ren and to be loved by him?
To kiss him again and again
to embrace each other, to touch him can you do that?
You?
with Ren?

If you don't know how to kiss why don't I teach you?
Whatever wicked mischief you intend to play
You're just something from the past
If so why don't you ask Ren himself
You can only sit still and watch
If you can't even do that, you have no chance of making an impression on him at all

Ask him, why doesn't he cut his hair the one that Hirose Takuya liked
SLAM
Oh
You're leaving already?
Thank you for your hospitality
Please come again
Next time maybe Ren san can come with you and we could all have dinner or
I won't come back here again

He was serious
No...
I think I played the trick too far
...That's so immature of you...
What happened a fight...?
Damn!!
That Hirose
That Hirose
THAT HIROSE!!

Words that were said by him
Don't be bothered by that. It's nothing to get serious about
Why Ren doesn't cut his hair-?
Damn
That bastard!
He tricked me!
That must be it
I m home

Oh man~~
Again
I'm not like that
I
to kiss him again & again to embrace each other ..
So you're going to be my substitute?

Err
Yeah
Oh, it's you you're back
Hm
No-thing!
If you want to sleep, go to bed
Did some-thing happe-ned?
Can you make me something to eat
Rather than that I'm hungry
I was just taking a nap

EP

Yea
Sorry Ren
I had a small accident
You-ji?
You're burned
OUCH

splash
THUMP
It's so unusual for you to have that kind of accident
Were you thinking about something else?
Hm
It's okay now My finger hurts If's too cold
yea
Somehow... I think of Ren differently
This
there's something wrong with me
I'm weird
?

CLANG
Wash~ it over- flowed!
I'm going to continue
I,I,I
I'm okay
Are you okay?
You ji?
Shit... It's over- cooked
Sorry
I said I'm sorry...
What happened actually?

What?
Hm no thing
It s just that, you have such a long hair
Yea.
Why don't you ask Ren himself
Why doesn't he cut his hair, that hair Hirose Tukuya likes
Why — De you keep it long —
THATUM!
Is there some sort of- Ren-sen?

Too lazy
La—?
Eh!?
You're acting a bit strange
Ne- nothing
There's nothing really
Today— did se- mething happened while you were out?
I see
You're too lazy— that's why
I'll wash the dishes just in the mor- ning so put them in the sink
Today I'm sort of tired so I'll bathe and go to sleep right away
I'm done
?
EP

puzzled by Hirose's words
PUNCHING
What is actually happening!!
It's all because of what that bastard of Hirose said
Why am I...
These stuff
To kiss him again & again
To embrace each other to touch him ...
SURPRISE

Why...
So you're going to be my substitute?
To love Ren... and to be loved by him?
No, it's not like that
SHART
PAW
They were lovers- I guess it's natural
Hirose and Ren...
sigh
Romance between men and that kind of stuff. I can't understand it
It isn't like that
I'm just...
I can't sleep
TIC TIC TIC TIC

EP

Hm
Ouch
it's hot
くらしま牛乳
What's up?
You can't sleep?
THUMP
Ren
How about you
Calm down!!
Well I see that you aren't doing any work so why do you wake up at this hour?

Basically, I'm nocturnal
That's not the question
I'm used to work all night long
Even if you laugh like that
It's just pathetic/painful
But I can't do anything
and it's irritating ..
Is that alcohol?
Brandy
Want some?
GULP GULP
Uwa
—phew—
...a half cocoa mixed with brandy.
Uwaaa
Still he drinks it

I used to spend the night like this with Senko
With my sis?
Oh
Sometimes she says that it's work and never comes home. I guess that's the reason
Sometimes I have to keep her company while she drinks but—
Senko is so tough in drinking
Yeah —so tough
Not only with alcohol
She's a strong and beautiful woman

But she's kind
yes
She's stubborn, obstinate and selfish
She's a bully and such a spoiled brat
She used to bully me a lot but
When the neighbourhood bully made me cry, she'd always avenged me
Yeah
She cries so fast
Cry-boby? That Senko?
She's very strong
But actually she's such a crybaby

"During her high school, she had short hair and she was very slender. She was popular among her underclassmen (only girls)"

Why am I that strong?
I have a secret weapon, that's why
Oh I see
If she was sad or angry or she'd regretful lacks herself of same-thing. in her room and cry like a baby
Stuff like a little bird dead if she had been in a fight with friends or scolded by dad
Secret weapon?
My little brother who will always be my ally no matter what
He'll hug me and calms me down without any conditions
My little brother
Isn't that great?
I can be strong if he's by my side
I'll feel full of energy

EP

Then Senko would stop crying somehow
and I'd be the one who'd be calmed
I'd be flustered and end up crying like her
Although I'm a brat, I wanted to do something for my weeping Senko
She cried and cried and cried—
Even though Senko never shed a tear in front of me
and maybe tears are making a person stronger
That's right, I've only wanted to
was 2 years ago when she cried because of Hirose
The first time I've actually hugged her and let her cry as much as she wanted

Those hurting eyes, which are looking so painful
I wish I could do something ...
That's all
What's wrong Youji? Are you drunk?
Half a bottle of brandy won't make me drunk
I'm-
Youji?

Sorry
I
that
Good
night
I
think
...
I'm
drunk
after
all
I'm
going
to
sleep
!!
Don't
scare
me
Idiot

As I said
From yesterday's event we took in 300 right?
The amount returned to Aya-chan's place is 100 plus
We add the total handout and sales
Great!
The printing fee is settled
Hiromi your're pretty popular
See these letters It's from your readers about their thoughts
Original and 1000 copies was risky but somehow we'll manage

Yeah — but still —
It's probably different in reality
Say what?
Hi hi hi
It's so embarrassing
Isn't that great?
"I want to have a romance like this" she wrote
They're flattering me a lot
Some more, to know how does "boy's love" feels like
My real love life is still a long way to go and I don't understand "love" that much
You see, after all it's all our imagination right?
Different? What is?
I am being careful though
If I draw man x man, it would still be just a substitute for a woman and a man relationship probably
After all I'm a girl
Ideal? Fantasy

Is it?
Eh-
Woman and woman is a little trouble-some
Isn't it okay? The feeling of liking someone is the same with men and women, I think
Man and man... er woman and woman
How do you say it it feels like some kind of pressure to me
Because I am myself a girl
strangely enough it's so real
U~n
Maybe that's why we're drawing man X man
Ahahh
maybe
Sorry to keep you waiting
Let's go home Hiromi

hmm
I see
What are you saying Ayo chan ~
You have got to work on your real love-life
Hiro-mi
Eh-?
I was fast asle-ep
I slept
How was the commit-tee meeting?
I had some work to do anyway
It's okay You can't be excused from your tasks right?
Sorry about yester-day

Whe-hehe he erm-
But, you have lots of "Can't be excused tasks" on Sundays don't you
What are you up to?
Don't tell me it's a se-cret
Not really but
I kinda like that part about you
Next week I'm free so we'll go on a date okay?
Ah yeah
Well ... It's okey anyway

EP

Hands smaller than mine and thin shoulders–
Her hair ... It looks so airy and soft
Should I make some bento?
If the weather is good I want to go some where outside
Where shall we go
To the movies? It's kind of boring right?
and –
What's wrong Yeuji?
Is it?
It's no-thing
No that

Eh?
What?
Hiromi
Can I?
How would it feels like if I touch it...
Lips
....
I
Want to
kiss
I-
Idiot!
I guess not
It's okay

THATUMP
THUMP
THUMP
THUMP
With who?
It's really different
Different?
So soft and feels good..
A little taste of lip cream-

SWISH
That was My first kiss
I'm the worst .....
At that particular moment
Bye bye ~ See you tomorrow

EP

That
I
wonder
Why?
I've compared Hiromi and Ren...!
First and foremost
Why did I do that to Ren
I must have been drunk
With brandy added cocoa!?

EP

Well... maybe there were a little "interest" and "curiousity" but
-I like her
The reason why I wanted to kiss Hiromi is because
It's not. never
It wasn't because I was stimulated by yesterday's kiss with Ren
It's not like that!!
No!!
You're going to be my substitute?
Then, why did I kiss Ren?
Kiss him again & again ...
Why?

Wished that we could be together forever
But I also think that I really like her
We even dreamed about our future
That's why we became a couple
but...
it can't be
That thing
My head is spinning
Although, it's still just a pipe dream...
Hiromi confessed to me first

I want to protect...
What about Ren!?
What about the feeling of wanting to protect him from everything that's hurting him-!?
So... how about Ren?
Did you cut yourself?

I don't want to eat a meal with fingers in it
Be careful
I feel so irritated
I've just scraped off my nails that's all
I'm alright
My chest is burning
This is strange
I want to... embrace him?
I want to touch Ren...
BIKU
Wh—
What!?
But that is .....
OPEN
What you say
I wanted to take Ewan-

EP

What's wrong Youji are you sick?
Your face is red, maybe it's a fever or-
Don't touch me!
I would never let Hirose touch him again .....
I won't forgive it if he hurts or disturbs him
Don't touch me
Youji?

I
.....
Ren
.....
I like you!

First kiss?
Yeah Today when we re walk ing home... we pas- sed a play ground and...
Eh ehe
You don t have to report to me about all these stuff you know?
No~ listen to me okay?
It didn t feel like we were a cou ple and it felt more like an exten sion of our best friend relation- ship
I confes sed and got an ok then straight away I beca me his girl- friend but-
We only did it now
be- cause
be- cause~
or how de you say it ~
It s not like I was not satis- fy

What?
What's wrong Hiromi?
Oh no... I feel troubled now
What should I do Aya-chan?
But somehow
It's different
Is it okay for me to like him this much till it troubles me?
You see
I
Like Youji a lot
Yeah Yeah
Good for you

I like- you

I
I've said it seriously
It's not a joke!
I'm very hungry. If it's a bad joke please tell me after we'll have eat okay?
Youji-
But somehow you flickered into my mind
That's strange right?
For the first time
Today I kissed Hiromi
What part or characteristic of me that you like?
Tell me
Well- it's not like that
W... Where you ask ...

EP

I wanted to think that I did that because I was drunk but... No matter how many times I think about it I wasn't that drunk
At that time I wasn't thinking and when I realized... I've impulsively kissed you-
Even about yesterday
I feel irritated and before I knew it I was thinking about you
Want to be touched by you
I-
Even now
That's why I kissed you
I like you, Ren

Then
What?
Why don't you touch me?
Ren!!
Did you say kiss?
This is little compared to the kiss
!!
fu
gu

EP

Even yesterday's kiss is something like-
It's only our lips that touched, that's all...
Sto p...
R-Ren!!

EP

What's wrong?
ku
nn
ha
!?
OUWOR

Didn't you say you like me?
—and you're escaping from me...
—I'm a brat anyway... damn~~~
You're playing a trick on me aren't you?
That's so ill-natured of you!!
You're just misunderstood
Misunderstood what?
You're just pitying me
"Ren is so pitiful, I want to do something for him"
You're thinking like that aren't you?

That—
To think I want to save this person or
That person needs me or
That way of thinking is called "Tsubaki-hime complex"
Being pitiful or
The self-satisfaction achieved by it
You're confusing these things with feelings of love
Youji—
It's not!!

I'm not like that
It's not!! It's not!! It's not!!
Don't cry
If I make you cry that much I'll be scolded by Senko
I keep crying in front of you
I'm very frustrated
Cool off your head a bit

Where are you going?
I'm going to eat something outside
I can't expect you to cook something properly in this condition
...reflect!?
You should reflect on what you did at that spot in the meantime
Che...

EP

It gets on my nerve
Damn !!
Maybe I was played by him
Definitely
Damn !!
I never thought it would be that great !
almost collapsed
Kiss ....
Is it just like what Ren said it was? That it was all a misunderstanding
The pain in my chest... was it just a mistake-?
The reason why I think I love Ren is

I like Hiromi
but I like Ren too
I think I like Ren
but, just now.... I was afraid of Ren-
It's because of that kass..
My head hurts
Somehow, it feels like I'm falling into a maze

Err
It's so dark
clink
cling
SLAM
Are you asleep?
-SO~~
Youji?
HEHE
He's sulking
I'm awake

The takeyaki from this place is del-cious eat while it s hot
Toka-yaki?
rustle
I don t want it
I m not feeling well
Are you okay?
TUKNTAK
THUMP
THUMP
THUMP
TADUMP
GASP

Who?
GRAB
GASP
I guess you're not having a fever
What?
That's right ...It's these eyes-
The silent but deep eyes that keep on rejecting everything
My feeling and the memory of the past with Hirose ...
It's nothing

It's neither a misunderstanding nor prejudice I like-
It's not a mistake
?
SQUEEZE
But whenever I touch Ren, My heart beats so fast
Are you okay now ?
Huh?
I'm feeling okay now
Suddenly I feel so hungry Went to eat together?
LET GO
I'm not pitying you
I can't even sympathize because I don't know what's happening
Ren
It's okay I had my meal outside

Even if you don't trust me or accept me in
I like you no matter what
Hehe
MUNCH
Don't keep saying that
I don't have time to entertain your childish nonsense

DING
DONG
Hey Takanashi are you meeting with Hayasaka?
Isn't it being an official couple? great~
I want to be happy too~~
So noisy why don't you move along?
Takanashi-chan~ you're so cold!
Well, do your best so that you won't get dumped.

Okay~ bye Aya chan
See you tomorrow
Bye Hiromi
Sorry~ did I make you wait?
A little
GLANCE
Weren't we supposed to go and have some cake?
Shopping?
Do you wanna tag along while I shop today?
You-ji
WAVE WAVE

very very.. cute

I still think Hiromi is cute

Ah!
This looks nice too I can t decide~
How about this?
Yeah I think it s okay
Yeah it really is nice
You re going te buy that?
Huh? A yeah
But it s a little dif- ferent from Aya chan s image maybe
This
So cute
Darker colors suit Aya chan more don t you think?
About that?
But you like it don t you? So why don t you buy it not as a present though

Isn't she going to buy it..? Maybe she doesn't have enough money?
I've decided~ I'm going to buy this one
I'm going to the cashier so wait for me okay?
GLANCE
?
Yeah
Maybe next time
ah! this one is pretty
and she looked like she wanted it
It suited her finger very well...
Well, I guess it's okay...
Let's see...
I think it's not that expensive...
Hmm...
discussion with the wallet
It's a little expensive for a senior high school student

So frustrating
The cashier was clumsy and had to key in many times
Maybe she's a new part-timer
Maybe
She looked like she's trying her best and in the end she wrapped the gift nicely So I forgive her!
isn't it obvious... a customer
You talk so proud Who do you think you are
BLEH!
Yeah
You get it?
Oh yeah, here
It's for you

You looked like you really wanted it so
and it wasn't that expensive
Youji
This
What is it?
RUSTLE
ROLLING
Wha
Thanks
Oh no
I feel so happy
Would Ren.
Smile like this if I could buy him what he wants-
Yeah
I'm relieved

EP

But I'm so happy, I really am
I really wanted it
If you keep saying that I'm gonna feel awkward
It's okay
If it was Ren.. I wonder what he would want
Thanks Youji
SURPRISE
about rings you know
And also I feel that there's a special feeling
The feeling I want to buy it for her wasn't a lie
but I never thought about any special meaning
Don't tell me... Did I do something horrible to Hiromi--?

I was thinking about Ren—
On top of that In this situation...
I'm the worst
I like you Youji
very much
If both are true. . then it's just like him-
It's just like Hirose!
Is one of them wrong?
But the feeling I have towards Ren is also true
I like Hiromi..

RRR.
RRRRR.
Yes
This is Akishima speaking
It's me
Ren... can you recognize me?
Hirose san

Pur-pose?
How ... did you get this num-ber?
The person in charge for the pu-blisher com-pany H is a guy name Sayama, right?
He was in a movie magazine ance... he's an acquain-tance of mine. Isn't it a coin cidence?
Don't hang up!!
Please don't hang up, Ren I want to hear your voice. just a little longer.
Ren -
Are you listen-ing?
mistake this voice for anyone else's and just by a word I knew it's you
I liked this voice
This voice -

No matter how many years had passed by-
I want to meet you
I don't want to meet you
Can I come over now?
It's not good. What are you talking about?
And first of all, you don't know where I live right?
HEH
Don't you want to know where I am now?
I don't want to know
Stop saying such a thing and open the door
?
SHOCK
TUMP

Hmm ?
I've never thought you were going to open it so willingly
SHOCK
How Did you find out?
Did you ever think that I only asked for phone number from Sayama?
I wanted to meet you Ren--
Please
Don't touch me

Why? You won't let me in?
No kidding why don't you go home?
!!
You grew thinner
It wasn't that long from the last time we met...
CLICK
SLAM
and leave you in this kind of state?
I can't go home like this
Because I love you

PUSH
Are you satisfied now?
Ren-?
If you're done please go home
Unfortunately, I don't intend to make a second mistake

You don't need to be so stubborn with me
You look like you're going to cry
Why don't you want to understand my feelings?
Your feelings?
So you're saying that you're understanding my feelings?
You are screaming asking someone to do something about it
I can't just leave you and go home
As long as you love me. I won't abandon you

love you still
SURPRISE
Love?
You?
Me?
Right
and I also
Stop
!!

So how?
Will you let me in?
At this kind of place ---?
Maybe, you never know when does your neighbor passes by
Who ... will ...

How can I escape this curse!?
I was entangled ...and I was going to drown
Like the time I clung on and was expecting something in return-

You bas- tard !!
What are you doing!
You ... !!

I told you not to come close to Ren ever again
Back off!!
Beat it!!
You again Yauji-kun
That was a little rough
You didn't tell him the message I presume, so terrible...
I told you to tell Ren that I'd come to visit soon, didn't I?
Who would want to tell such a thing
Besides you...are only good for hurting Ren!!
If so then what can you do? Yauji !!
!!

It's impossible for you
You can't possibly save Ren
As long as Ren wants me anyone else besides me can't compete with me
Isn't that right? Ren?
Why don't you go home
Well Ren
If you say you like that kid then

If you can love Youji-kun more than me then it's a different story
Why don't you just go home already !!
If you don't go home now, I'm going to kill you!
I won't let you!!
I'll stop you every-time
I guess I'll come again when no one will disturb us
Oh well

CLADSED
Acting like a knight huh?
That's wrong
Kids should be going to school
THUD
THUD
thud
Ren!!

Yeah
Are you okay Ren -?
Yeu
I guess that attitude means you're okay
That's that but
Sorry ... I should have come back earlier
Why are you apologizing it should be me
Don't be so full of yourself

ah
yeah
Were... meeting with Hirose were you?
ギク
Last time
I accidentally met him at Katsumi san's shop
And after that I went to his house once
I wasn't hiding it or something
but

What? Something about you liking me and saying something silly suddenly
about what?
That Now I understand
CHUCKLE
and now I knew you were poisoned already
I noticed you were acting kind of strange lately
What part of my body should you touch and how it will make me feel good or
Were you taught something like that?
What did Hirose tell you?
It's not like that I was just

what kind of noise was I making
Or how did I spend on Hirose's bed every-night or
Did you go there to talk about this kind of things!?
Stop it
Ren!!
THUD...

Stop it
I don't want to hear it anymore
It wasn't a joke
I like you
"Love" me?
No kidding
Ren!!
I'm telling you that
I like you

Let go of my hand
I don't like you
Don't you!
I guess so
drip
drip
What nonsense are you talking ...
!!
That means the only person you Ren like is still Hirose even now

Shut up I didn't cry because I wanted to... grr... damn...
uuu...
Stop crying so fast
GASP
Snif Snif
rather than that get to find a new place
hmm
no
Tele-phone?
Get to
change the num bers

We're going to move?
Why? I don't want to
If you want to stay then it's up to you I'll do something about the rest
But because Hirose has found out this place I don't want to be here anymore. I don't want to be bothered by him!!
So you're just going to run away
and just keep on running?
Run away?
yeah there's no other way
It's obvious that you still like Hirose then!

Isn't it?
Run and run and keep on running... and as you run along you're waiting for him to chase you isn't it
TCH'
You know he's going to chase you and you'll wait while hoping it'll happen
It's just like what he said, you do like Hirose!!
You still like him just the way you liked him since last time, isn't it!?
No
Who said
If you say it isn't then !!

Cut this then!
What are you talking about
ts..

Hirose liked this hair, didn't he!!
That's why you're not cutting it
If it's not, try and cut it!
If you can't cut it then I'll cut it
Youji!!

CLIP
CLIP
falling
err
I

PANT
DROP
ss
so rry
CLING

CLIP
CLIP
CLIP
Re...n?
You impulsive idiot
Ren!!
Are you satisfied now?
If you're then, leave this room now

I can't
N...no
I can't let go of his hand not now and not here!!
There's no point in running away
As long as you run away like this, he'll chase you no matter what
Don't you run away
Ren!
Youjii!
That guy... because
...he loves you
I understand! The film he showed me at his house, it wasn't a fake.
Maybe what he's doing is wrong but he's serious and it's not a lie

I know these kind of stuff!
Why don't you go and die
You can't keep on running Ren
I'm here for you
What can you possibly do
Nothing
It hurts but what he said was true
It'll be all right
I can't do anything
but I'll be there for you
So
I'll protect you as much as I can

yeah... I'm a brat
I'm a brat but
from a brat
Such a big word
I like you
and that's true
It isn't a misunderstanding or a mistake and there's no explanation for it
It can't be helped right? If someone likes someone
so?
You want to sleep with me?
EP

GULP
N
Not that I just
S... leep?
You have a girl-friend right?
What are you going to do about her then?
You like me, so it can't be helped?
You think you're going to solve it just by saying "it can't be helped"?
It won't be good if it's just like that isn't it?
What you're saying isn't it the same thing as Hirose

I know
I like Hiromi too and if it's possible I don't want to hurt her
But
I kept thinking like that even till now
Ren
Right now
Even just for the meantime
Please rely on me.

If not Ren
You're going to break if this keeps on going
I'll be here
to comfort you when you cry
be a temporary substitute or something like that, I don't mind

I fell asleep?
R.R.R.R.R.
R.R.R.R.R.
R.R.R.R.R.
PANG

Greed or desire, perhaps
No
?
THUMP
THUMP
THUMP
It's not
I just
Do you want to sleep with me?
THUMP
I—I don't really understand
but
maybe it's something like that
RR:

CREEK..
U..n
RRRRR
RRR
RRR
SNORE
Z
RRR
Yes
Yes yes, yes
RRRR
Yes. This is Takanashi...
Oh no sorry Akishima's residence
Senke?
Hmm..?
Is this You-chan?

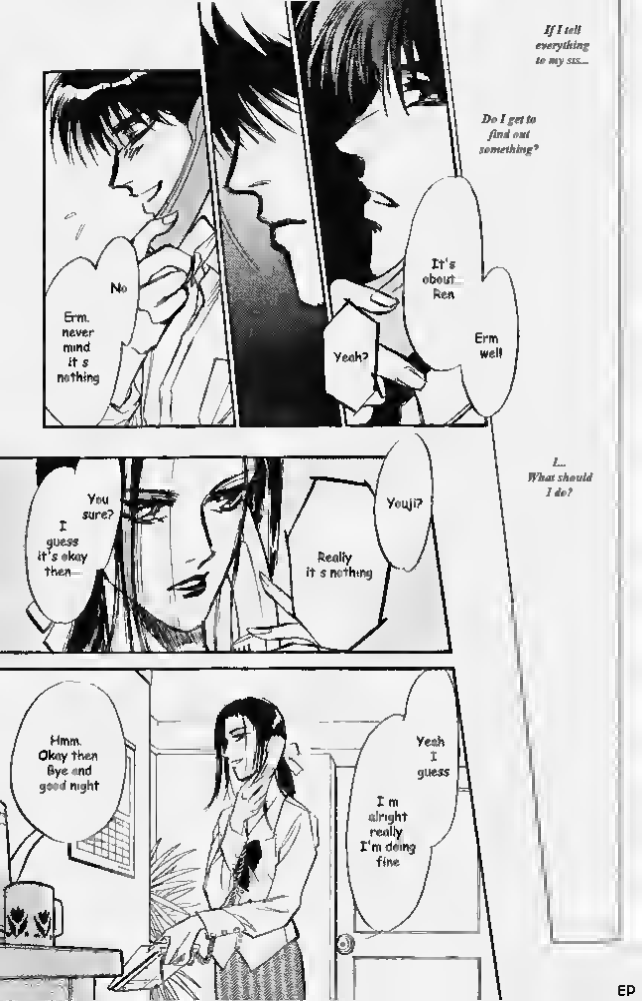
I called just now
but nobody seemed to be picking up so, I thought there was no one home
What ...? No it's not
There's nothing wrong with it right?
Ren? He's asleep
Hmm yeah we're fine
Oh- sorry
I was sleeping -- his leg seems to be cramped.

?
Haha...
oh. yeah
I was seeing...
...an old dream
Those
happy days
that can't be
taken back...

Ren, you also... still love Hirose now, right?
It's not fake, Hirose does love you Ren.
It's true
I do love him,
That Hirose Takuya, so much
Even now
I knew this all along but I pretended to not notice the fact
Till I feel like my heart is going to burst!!

But
even so what could possibly happen?
Hey, Youji!
You sound like you've grown up a little
When the fact is there's nothing more that I want

As you're elder sister, well I'm sort of happy and sort of sad
You've grown like a real man, your voice and the way you speak
But~~ you sounded a little spoiled last time.
R... really?
Maybe you're hearing stuff.
Not a single bit.. I'm still a brat
I didn't change at all.
Hah! ha... I think it's because I just woke up
Youji..?
Did some thing happen?
Why isn't she by my side right now?
About my feelings
About Ren
About Hirose


If I tell everything to my sis...
Do I get to find out something?
It's about Ren
Erm well
Yeah?
No
Erm. never mind it s nothing
I... What should I do?
Youji?
Really it s nothing
You sure?
I guess it's okay then...
Yeah I guess
I m alright really I'm doing fine
Hmm. Okay then Bye and good night

チン
What should I do?
What am I supposed to do. ?
I can't think of anything!
TU...
TU.
TU.
TU.
TU.

EP

Tomiya-san
Okay
A customer is asking for you

Err...
a little accident
What happened to your hair?
Ren-kun!
BOW
Hmm. I think it is best to cut it short
Your hair seems to be damaged anyway
CUT
CUT
You get to come for a treatment at least once a month
I don't plan to go that far for my hair
And I wasn't really keeping it long
Your hair is beautiful so it'll be a waste if you can't take care of it properly
Ren-kun if you want to keep it long you've got to take care of it

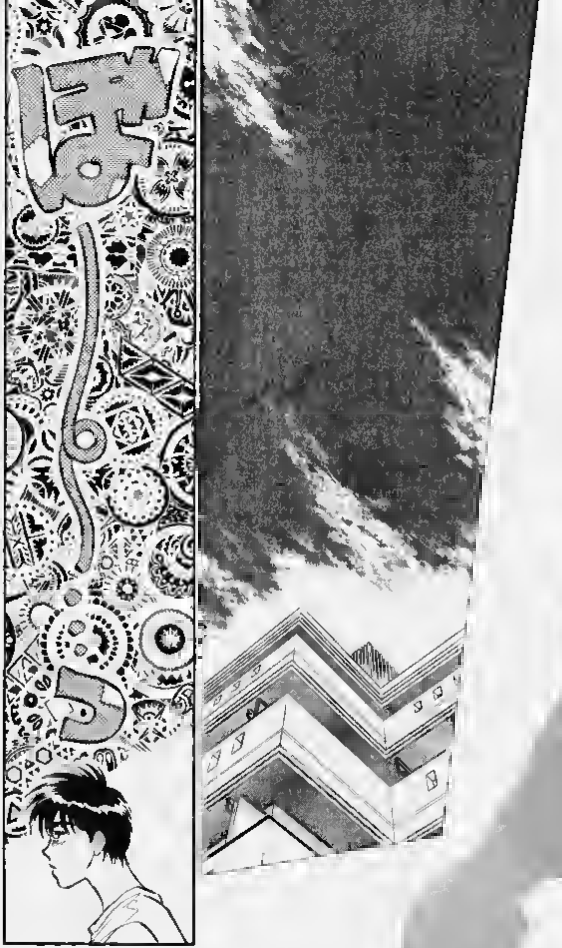
You were just keeping it at that length
But you were not planning to cut it right?
..Tamiya-san is left handed.
You like to cut it till it's long enough to tie up like this
You keep it long until you forget and when you come to cut it I though it'll be a short cut but no
That...

I did not mean it that way
I was too lazy to cut it so
It's not?
It looked like this?

You didn't cut it because Hirose liked that hair, didn't you?
Yeah...
Maybe it was
Maybe I was trapped in it because I was still concerned about it
The person I used to be The one Hirase used to love
Without noticing...
So?
Did something make you change your mind?
It's just... yeah
It's not a big deal

I don't want it to stay like this...
I can't move forward if it stays like this
There
It's done
FLAP

I should
have known
that it was
gonna be
like this



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Ren seems to have been out since early morning
I
Skipped school
SIGH
I was
feeling like I slept the whole day Even if I sleep and sleep... it's not enough.
My mind was blurring away and I couldn't think of anything
No
Maybe I slept too much
What am I doing
I know things can't be like this but
I have to be tougher than anyone but
CLICK
CLICK
HUH
BAM
SQUEAK

GEEEH
Ww...
what to do
R...
Ren!?
Yesterday... I did such things, how am I supposed to face him now.
Yauji...?
To be home at a time like this, you must have skipped school
CLICK
Thanks to some one—
Who badly cut my hair without thinking so—
My hair... seems a lot shorter now
Er- yeah
What?
What's with the weird face?

No I think it's better than last time.
It does not suit me?
That wicked tongue
!!
He's smiling?

Strong and beau-tiful
Maybe Ren, he...
Looks like that, so fragile, but actually he's very tough
For such a person,
what can I do?

Yeuji
Tomorrow
You better
go to school
I know
I know
Things
should not
be the way
it is now
Even
if you
get hurt
and hurt
by it...
I
don't
want to
run
away

I said "Don't run away from it" so,
I should not be the one running away from it
DING DONG
Yo Toka-nashi
What happened yesterday? You skipped school
Were you playing hooky on the first day?
I had the flu
the flu
Where are you going?
The bell's gonna ring soon
Just a little something
Ah!

Hiromi
Thank god you came
If you didn't came today, I thought of giving you a call
Erm I have something to talk about
Are you free after school?
Yeah
Okay
GULP
Oh
The bell rang
KING KONG
KANG KONG
So after school
I'll wait at the normal place

EP

but...
Can I say it?
I can't let it go on like this
What am I going to tell her?
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